GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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OCCUPANCY RATE OF JAN SHATABDI RUNNING BETWEEN CHANDIGARH AND NEW DELHI.
PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the present occupancy rate of Jan-Shatabdi running between Chandigarh and New Delhi ; and

(b) whether in order to attract more middle-class passengers, the Government have considered changing its timings so as to start from Chandigarh in the early morning and return after 8 P.M.?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a): The trains No. 2057/2058 have been introduced with effect from 6.9.2002. The average percentage utilisation of these trains from the date of inception to January 2003 is as under:-

2057 New Delhi-Chandigarh
A.C. Chair Car - 81%
Second class Sitting - 39%

2058 Chandigarh-New Delhi
A.C. Chair Car - 87%
Second class Sitting - 11%

(b): At present there is no such proposal.